SI. No.	State	National Highway No.	Length (Km.)
1.	Rajasthan	11A (Extra.), 79A	116
2.	Uttranchal	72A, 108, 109	218
3.	Uttar Pradesh	58 (Extn.), 72A	41

(b) Presently, there is a ban on declaration of new National Highways due to fund constraints. The Government may, however, consider conversion of very limited lenth of a few State Highways into National Highways during the course of the 10th Five Year Plan, keeping in view the traffic needs, *inter-se* priority and availability of funds, after the ban is lifted.

(c) Presently, a length of about 36,000 km. of National Highways is having 2-lane carriageway.

(d) and (e) 4-laning of about 13,500 km length of National Highways has been taken up under National Highway Development Programme (NHDP) and Port Connectivity programme. In this year's budget it has been proposed to take up 4-laning of another 10,000 km. length of National Highways on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT).

National Highways in Tamil Nadu

3697. SHRI R. KAMARAJ: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sanctioned for upgradation and maintenance of the National Highways in Tamil Nadu during the last three years;

(b) whether Government have received any proposal from the State Government for conversion of some of the State Highways into National Highways;

(c) whether Government have approved the proposal;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the financial allocation for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) The sanctioned amount for upgradation and maintenance

of the National Highways in Tamil Nadu during the last three years is as Under.—

Year		Sanctioned Amount	(Rs. in Crore)
	Plan	Non Plan	Total
2000-01	66.00	23.94	89.94
2001-02	97.99	28.68	126.67
2002-03	129.76	20.25	150.01

(b) to (e) All proposals for declaration of new National Highways received from the State Governments, including those received from the Government of Tamil Nadu, were returned in June 2002 for review based on the revised guidelines for declaration of new National Highways. Presently there is a ban on the declaration of new National Highways due to fund constraints. The Government may, however, consider declaration of very limited lengths of a few State Highways as National Highways during the course of the Tenth Five Year Plan, keeping in view the traffic needs, *inter se* priority and availability of funds, after the ban is lifted.

National Highways on East Coast

3698. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of ROAD AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to construct a National Highway on the East-Coast;

(b) whether the State Governments have submitted any proposals in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government have examined their proposals; and

(e) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C.KHANDURI]:(a)No,Sir.

(b) to (e) All the proposals for conversion of State roads into National